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In re Application of: Mason et al.

Group Art Unit: 2665

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This is responsive to the Restriction/Election Requirement dated January 9, 2004, having a 1-month term for Response that will expire on February 9, 2004. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Election and Remarks.

RESTRICTION PRESENTED

The claims have been restricted into the following groups of inventions:

Groups

Claims

Subject Matter

I

1-10 and 22-78

Drawn to a method for updating presence information regarding a target end user in a presence database based on information derived from a telephony-related action, classified in class 370, subclass 352

II

11-21

Drawn to a method for processing a query to a presence server database, classified in class 707, subclass 3

APPLICANTS' ELECTION

Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-10 and 22-78, drawn to a method for updating presence information regarding a target end user in a presence database based on information derived from a telephony-related action, classified in class 370, subclass 352, for prosecution at this time. Accordingly, Applicants hereby cancel non-elected claims 11-21, while reserving the right to file related application(s) based on claims 11-21.

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 and 22-78 are now pending in the subject U.S. patent application. Claims 1-78 as filed have been subjected to a Restriction/Election Requirement.

In response to the Restriction/Election Requirement, applicants have elected the claims of Group I, claims 1-10 and 22-78, for prosecution at this time.

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1. A Response to Restriction/Election Requirement (3 pages); and
2. A return-receipt postcard to be returned to us with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office filing stamp thereon.

Please contact our offices if there are any questions.

Although no fee is believed to be due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with the filing of this correspondence to Deposit Account No. 50-0426.

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